GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:65
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2001
AREA OF LAND AFFECTED BY FLOODS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated loss of crops affected by floods every year;

(b) whether the Government have received any proposal from the State Governmentfor providing interim relief to meet the flood situation;

(c) the amount spent on flood affected areas by the Government every year; and

(d) the amount allocated to flood affected areas during 2000-2001, State-wise and the measures being taken to check these floods?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.65 DUE FOR REPLY ON 26TH JULY, 2001.

(a): Floods do cause damage of varying magnitude to property including crops. On the basis of reports received from the States, rains/floods during 2000-01 caused damage to crop area in 34.79 lakh ha.

(b): It is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned to undertakenecessary rescue and relief measures in the wake of natural calamities including floods. Availability of funds exists with the States under Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) for taking such measures. The Government of India and the State Governments contribute to thisfund in the ratio of 3:1. A Statement indicating release of Central share of CRF during2001-2002 to the States is Annexed. The Governments of Chhattisgarh, Kerala andOrissa have sought additional Central assistance, in the wake of floods.

(c): According to the Central Water Commission total expenditure incurred on flood management works (Central Sector+State Sector) upto the end of 8th Plan was Rs.5032.13 crore and the anticipated expenditure upto March, 2001 is Rs.8236.22 crore,as per figures compiled on the basis of 10th Plan proposals by the States/Union Territories and the Planning Commission. Also, assistance provided from CRF and from the NCCF, as the case may be, is utilized for undertaking necessary measures in the wake of the natural calamities, including floods.

(d): The Central Water Commission have stated that the total amount allocated toStates under Flood Control sub-sector, according to Planning Commission, including Central Sector for 2000-01 is Rs.798.76 crore.

ANNEXURE

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF RELEASE OF CENTRAL SHARE OF CALAMITY RELIEF FUND DURING 2001-2002.

(RS. IN LAKHS)

S.NO.	NAME OF STATE	CENTRAL SHARE OF CALAMITY RELIEF FUND RELEASED
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7798.50
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	473.50

3. Assam 3996.00

4. Bihar -

5. Chhattisgarh 2163.00
6. Goa -

7 Gujarat 11701.49

8. Haryana -

9. Himachal Pradesh 3424.00
10. Jammu & Kashmir -
11. Jharkhand -
12. Karnataka 2936.00
13. Kerala 5956.11
14. Madhya Pradesh 4932.00
15. Maharashtra 12380.00
16. Manipur -
17. Meghalaya -
18. Mizoram -
19. Nagaland -
20. Orissa 6465.75
21. Punjab -
22. Rajasthan 12225.75
23. Sikkim 495.34
24. Tamil Nadu -
25. Tripura -
26. Uttar Pradesh 13521.06
27. Uttaranchal -
28. West Bengal -

Total 88468.50